

of the Government in the face of an enemy. Stone's desertion was the stroke of an assassin in the guise of a protector.

"That in his mad course of anti-American folly he disclosed secret and confidential information concerning the navy's plans of defense is the natural climax of his unspeakable conduct."

"Of all these Senators who have proved their unfitness for responsibility in a crisis, the most conspicuous might be Senator Stone. No longer can he be trusted with the honor and interests of the nation in dealing with foreign affairs. No longer can he be trusted with confidential information. Resignation from the chairmanship of the Foreign Relations Committee and from the Senate would be the most becoming act of his career."

"He owes the first to his country; he owes the second to the people of Missouri, who have honored him with the highest offices in their gift, and whose shame and repentance should be tempered by his remorse."

"If Stone is not man enough to resign the chairmanship he should be kicked out by the patriotic majority."

SAYS WILSON HAS POWER

Senator Knox of Pennsylvania Avers He May Arm Ships.

"I have not the slightest doubt that President Wilson has the power under the Constitution to arm American merchant ships for offensive purposes," said Senator Knox. "The Government is not rendered 'helpless and contemptible' by the President's ample authority to arm these merchant ships, and there need be no concern about the pirate laws of 1819 interfering."

"If the President has the authority to supply arms to merchant ships, as he himself said he has, and as I believe he has, Congress could enact no law that would curtail that authority. The constitutional right of the President cannot be infringed by a statute."

"The suggestion that the Commander-in-Chief of the army and navy has not the authority under the Constitution to protect American ships and American lives appears to me to be unworthy of argument."

"There is no question about that authority. The fact that Congress has enacted certain laws which appear to conflict with that grant of power may be brushed aside as unimportant. The President is entirely justified in proceeding to arm the ships as he originally proposed."

Senator Knox is in favor of the adoption of the clause as agreed upon by the committee representing the Republican and Democratic caucuses; the amendment to the new rule which prohibits amendments to a pending bill after cloture has been invoked appears to be a proper means of preventing further filibuster after deciding to bring the main question to a vote.

DEMAND STONE RESIGN

New York Papers Call Him Menace in Present Post.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Calling for Senator William J. Stone's resignation as chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the World today said:

"Under disguises as transparent as any assumed by the innumerable agents of the Kaiser's propaganda in this country, he has been revealed time and again as one who, in the presence of Germany, would equivocate, abate and even sacrifice American rights."

The New York Sun bitterly attacks Senator Stone, declaring he should be deprived of his chairmanship.

"No fact in the record of William J. Stone entitles him to the important and confidential office he holds today," said the Sun. "His continuance therein constitutes a menace to the safety of the United States."

"FINAL ACT OF TREACHERY"

Cincinnati Post So Characterizes Senator Stone's Course.

CINCINNATI, March 8.—Regarding William J. Stone and the chairmanship of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the Cincinnati Post today printed a leading editorial with the caption: "How To Get Rid of 'Gumshoe Bill' Stone." It advised voters to wire their Senators protesting against continuing Stone as chairman. Declaring Stone's opposition to the armed neutrality bill "the final act of treachery," the Post said: "There is no doubt that he will continue to give aid and comfort to Germany."

MCCORMICK OPPOSES STONE.

HARRISBURG, Pa., March 8.—Vance McCormick, Democratic national chairman, today joined in opposition to Senator Stone again heading the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The Harrisburg Patriot, of which McCormick is the principal owner, today said editorially:

"Senator Stone has forfeited his right to remain longer at the head of the very important Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. It would seem as though Senator Stone should have the foresight and patriotism to quit. If he does not, the duty of the Senate is plain."

CLUB MAY OUST SOLON.

CHICAGO, March 8.—The vote of Congressmen William W. Wilson and Third Illinois district, against the armed neutrality bill, has raised the question whether he retains his qualification for membership in the Union League Club, one of the most conservative in the city.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

Forecast for the District of Columbia—Fair and somewhat colder to night and Friday; temperature above freezing tonight; moderate to fresh winds, mostly northwest.

For Maryland—Fair and somewhat colder tonight and Friday; temperature above freezing tonight; moderate to fresh winds, mostly northwest.

Temperatures.
8 a. m. 46
9 a. m. 46
10 a. m. 46
11 a. m. 48
12 noon 52
1 p. m. 53

Tide Table.
High tides: 7:47 a. m., height 2.4
8:08 p. m., height 2.4
Low tides: 2:04 a. m., height 0.4
2:25 p. m., height 0.5

Sun and Moon Table.
Sun rose: 6:30 a. m.
Sun sets: 6:08 p. m.
Moon rises: 6:12 p. m.
Moon sets: 6:04 a. m.
Light automobile lamps 6:38 p. m.

VILA BEING PAID BY GERMAN AGENTS

Bandit Chief Played Against Carranza in Effort to Embarrass America.

LAREDO, Tex., March 8.—Germany is playing Villa against Carranza.

"Great sums of German money are pouring into the bandit leader's hands, inciting him to activity against the United States and against Carranza, while at the same time German agents work through officials of the Carranza government, seeking to align that side against the United States."

Agents of the German government were with Francisco Villa at his headquarters at Bustillos ranch, about February 12, with a proposition to renew his raids on the border in case of a declaration of war between the United States and Germany. Two German agents reached the bandit leader. The conference extended over two days.

At first Villa demurred against any attack on the border in force under any circumstances. C. C. It length an agreement was reached that, in case of war, Villa would send small bands as unattached bandits, to operate at widely separated points along the international line and to make sporadic forays to harass American troops.

Offer of \$250,000.

Under the terms of the agreement the German agents promised to pay Villa \$250,000 gold at once to seal the pact. He refused to enter into the plot until the first payment was handed over. They agreed to pay a large amount each month thereafter in case of war to enable Villa to pay his men, get ammunition, and build up his shattered forces for a campaign.

After orders from Foreign Secretary Zimmerman looking to an attack on the border, Carranza both traveled by horseback to Bustillo's ranch about forty miles north of Chihuahua City. At this point Villa was making his headquarters at that time.

The Villa plan was to be used chiefly in the event of failure to induce Carranza to enter an intrigue against the United States and as a possible means of bringing pressure to bear on Carranza. It was hoped to involve the de facto government and the United States in new, serious complications, making necessary the retention of a large part of the army along the border.

To Weaken Carranza.

That friction between Carranza and the United States would tend to weaken the de facto power was pointed out to Villa by the German agents.

Already the German cabal in the Mexican capital had set active underground efforts to work upon the first chief and his advisers to induce them to consent to an alliance.

The note sent by Carranza to the neutral powers, and then to the United States, refusing to furnish supplies to belligerent countries, was engineered by the German propagandists.

It was the original intention to lead the first chief to order the oil fields of Tampico to be closed to export. This was later modified to the form in which it was sent, because most of the fields are owned by English companies and a large amount of the oil is used by the English fleet, and such action, therefore, would have brought complications between England and Mexico.

Among officials in Mexico City stories are afloat that two government officials in the first chief's immediate circle of influential men were co-operating directly with German agents. One of the newspapers in the capital is said to be under subsidy to the Germans to print news with a German angle, in other ways German money and influence are at work to sway the actions of the de facto government. Such actions are rendered comparatively easy by the cross-currents of jealousy and ambition of the different military and political leaders.

Stringent military censorship at all the cable and telegraph offices in Mexico prevents the seeping of any dispatch not approved by the government.

CLOSE TO "MASTER MIND"

Secret Service Agents Expect Soon to Make Sensational Arrest.

NE WYOMING, March 8.—As a Federal grand jury began today to probe the activities here of Dr. Chandra Chakrabarty and Dr. Ernest Sekunier, Federal Secret Service agents throughout the country were believed to be rapidly closing in on the "master mind" who carried out German plot orders from 76 Wilhelmstrasse, Berlin, secret headquarters.

Revelations to Secret Service agents here and in Washington indicate that there is fast coming to light a plot that stretched its mysterious tentacles into Mexico, Cuba, and the Philippines, and wrapped themselves around the Panama Canal. Sensational disclosures are expected when a new arrest is made. The identity of the man now under surveillance has not been disclosed, but his arrest is expected to lead to profoundly sudden disclosures.

Papers taken among the effects of the Hindu and the German now held in New York revealed to Secret Service officials code messages from 76 Wilhelmstrasse, and mentioned addresses in Petrograd and Paris, indicating, it is believed, that these addresses, presumably of agents for the Hindu's nerve pins, were really notations of German agent headquarters.

A communication signed by Chin, the mysterious Chinese who was to have directed the plot in China to smuggle arms and ammunition to India, was found.

Copies of speeches by William Jennings Bryan, delivered more than two years ago, and extracts from utterances by Senator Robert M. La Follette, bearing on British rule in India, are believed to be harmless, but they point to the almost unbelievable lengths to which native Indians are willing to go to stir up revolt against Great Britain.

United States to Deal Harshly With Persons Convicted of Conspiracy.

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Its possession a list of Americans, or so-called German-Americans, subscribers to several propaganda before the rupture of relations between the United States and Germany, but it could not be learned today whether the agents have unearthed the financial backers of the "peace movements" originating since the break. It was admitted that a search is being made for these financiers, and also that efforts are being made to ascertain if any of the Kaiser's coin is being used.

"Master Spy" Suspected.

President Wilson is understood to be extremely nettled over the efforts of both the willful and the misguided pacifists who are endeavoring to beg for the instant end of the European situation. His intolerance for "hypocrites" is well known and it is understood that the determination of the Department of Justice to uncover unpatriotic "citizens" had its inception in directions from the White House.

The belief that there is a "master spy" abroad in the United States directing the operations of a small army of German agents and representatives to effect an alliance with Mexico, and that the latest developments showing a thoroughly organized espionage system. Confessions by Dr. Ernest Sekunier, a German chemist, and Dr. Chandra Chakrabarty, a Hindu physician, arrested in New York this week, have added to this belief.

Left Doctors Directions.

Wolf von Igel, the attaché of the German embassy, who returned to Germany with Count von Bernstorff after indictments against him had been dismissed, gave instructions to the two doctors, according to their confession, but it was said here today that Wolf von Igel is not believed to have been the directing genius behind the German propaganda.

RULE FOR CLOTURE IS NEAR ADOPTION

Democratic Steering Committee Puts Measure Ahead—Urged by Both Caucuses.

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especially in view of the fact that the Rules Committee acted upon the question last session and both the Republican and Democratic caucuses have acted in favor of the cloture proposition which is pending.

Martin Offers Resolution.

When the Senate met Senator Martin of Virginia presented the amendment to the rules providing for cloture as it had been agreed upon in its consideration. Leaders had feared that an objection might be made to taking it up immediately. With the proposed rule before the Senate, Senator Martin said he would object to the introduction of any other business until the cloture rule was disposed of.

Senator Curtis of Kansas said that in 1911 certain Senators on the Democratic side were trying to defeat legislation by obstructive tactics, and that he had brought in a proposal for a similar change in the rules. Therefore, he said he favored making one now.

Senator Sherman of Illinois then took the floor to oppose the cloture rule. Senator Sherman and Senator France of Maryland were the only two Republicans in caucus last evening who voted against cloture. It is expected, however, that they will line up with their colleagues on a final vote. Senator Sherman especially objected to the Senate driving through the cloture rule at this time, when it put itself in the light of yielding to a command from the Executive.

Caucuses Agree to Cloture.

Practically all question of the adoption of a cloture rule for the limiting of debate by the Senate was removed when the Democratic and Republican caucuses last evening decided to support the proposed modification of the rules which had been agreed to earlier.

The expectation of leaders is that within a week cloture will be adopted. Whether this will be followed by an extra session is not certain. In any event there will be an extra session not later than June 1, according to Senators in close touch with the situation.

Two-Thirds Plan Wins.

The action of the Democratic caucus in favor of the proposed rule last evening was unanimous, after there had been much debate. Senator Owen, who had been insistent on a majority plan of cloture, gave way to the two-thirds plan.

By a vote of 36 to 2 the Republican caucus favored the two-thirds plan. Senator Sherman of Illinois and Senator France of Maryland opposed it.

However, Senators La Follette and Gronna were absent. It is well understood that Senator La Follette is opposed to cloture, at least under the circumstances.

The proposed rule, or amendment of the rules, relative to cloture, is the one, with modifications, which the Rules Committee of the Senate reported out some months ago. It provides that on motion by sixteen Senators to bring debate to a close, the motion shall be stated to the Senate and shall be voted on the second following calendar day. A two-thirds vote is required to make the measure unfinished business to the exclusion of all other business.

Hour Limit on Speeches.

Thereafter each Senator may speak for one hour. Amendments can be presented only by unanimous consent and dilatory tactics are forbidden. If it adopts cloture, the Senate will

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FORWARD MOTONO INTERVIEW.

As evidence of Japan's disavowal of any intention to take a part with Germany in anti-American plotting, the American Ambassador at Tokyo today forwarded to the State Department the text of the interview recently given by Viscount Motono, Japanese foreign minister, for publication in the United States.

STOMACH UPSET?

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DISTRICT SHORTAGE OF COAL RELIEVED

Enough Fuel Procured to Last District Till Monday—Relief Expected Then.

M. C. Hargrove, purchasing officer of the District, today announced he had purchased sufficient coal to last the schools and District government buildings until Monday. Three hundred tons were bought yesterday afternoon from the L. E. White Company, of this city; payment to be made when the money is appropriated by Congress.

Bids for 2,500 tons, to be paid for under a similar agreement, will be opened at the District building Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. It was at first decided to invite bids for 8,000 tons, but later it was thought better not to tie up the District with so large a contract.

Mr. Hargrove said today he thought it would not be necessary to close any of the public schools or Government buildings because of lack of fuel.

The District has suffered all winter from a shortage, and the failure of Congress to pass the general deficiency bill, in which was included an item of \$90,000 for coal, has added to its embarrassment. Officials are confident, however, that some way will be found out of the dilemma.

MERSHEIMER HEADS ELKS

John H. Baltz Elected Esteemed Leading Knight of Lodge.

Fred J. Mersheimer was elected exalted ruler of the Washington Lodge of Elks in Elks' Hall, 819 H street northwest, last night. Other officers chosen are:

John H. Baltz, esteemed leading knight; William I. Ivins, esteemed loyal knight; Howard Peter, esteemed lecturing knight; C. F. Kreis, trustee; M. G. McCormick, treasurer, and W. S. Shelby, secretary.

William F. Gude, retiring exalted ruler, was chosen to represent the lodge at the annual convocation in Boston, in July, with E. J. Murphy as alternate.

A buffet luncheon was served.

LOSE EXTRADITION FIGHT.

H. Robert Fowler, Herman J. Schulteis, and Henry B. Martin, under indictment in New York on charges that they conspired to foment strikes among munition workers, appeared in the District Supreme Court yesterday and gave bond in the sum of \$5,000 each for their appearance in New York for trial on the charges. The three men lost their fight against extradition from the District several days ago, when the District Court of Appeals issued a mandate for their extradition.

TO DISCUSS INSANITY.

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not only change its old tradition, but it will exercise a profound effect on legislation. It is well understood now that if the President calls an extra session and seeks an armed neutrality bill he can count on the authority he seeks with little delay. It would probably not be needed to invoke the cloture rule. But once cloture has been put through, then the Administration will seek to force a long list of other important bills through. The railroad bill, the Webb export bill, and others will be pressed when the extra session is called.

Tilver and harbor supporters, too, are anxiously waiting for a cloture rule. They think if they can get one they can obtain this legislation which was blocked by a few Senators last session.

CHARGES BIG HINDU PLOT

San Francisco District Attorney Says It Was Nationwide.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—Evidence of a nationwide conspiracy, originating among San Francisco Hindus, to invade India by way of China is now in the hands of United States District Attorney John W. Preston, who will place it before the Federal grand jury, it was learned today.

Ram Chandra, editor of the Hindustan Cader, was declared by Preston to have knowledge of the conspiracy. Ram Chandra denied any such plot was hatched here. He declared, however, that he had received confidential advices from Washington that notice had been served upon the United States by the allies that this country would be expected to pay damages after the war for Indian revolutions plotted in America.

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